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September 1 Tennessee Crop Production Forecast

Corn production in **Tennessee** is forecast at 157 million bushels, down 2% from the August forecast and down 3% from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 174.0 bushels per acre, down 4.0 bushels from last month and down 3.0 bushels from the 2019 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 900,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from 2019. The **U.S.** corn production is forecast at 14.9 billion bushels, down 2% from the August forecast and up 9% from 2019. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 178.5 bushels per acre, down 3.3 bushels from last month and up 11.1 bushels from 2019. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 83.5 million acres, down 1% from the August forecast and up 3% from 2019.

Soybean production for **Tennessee** is forecast at 78.5 million bushels, up 2% from the August forecast and up 22% from 2019. Yield was estimated at 50.0 bushels per acre, up 1 from last month and up 3.0 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.57 million acres, up 200,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 4.31 billion bushels, down 3% from the August forecast and up 21% from last year. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 51.9 bushels per acre, down 1.4 bushels from last month and up 4.5 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 83.0 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast and up 11% from 2019.

Tennessee cotton production is projected to be 650,000 bales, down 16% from the August forecast and down 32% from last year. Cotton yields are forecast to average 1,135 pounds per acre, up 57 pounds from last month and down 3 pounds per acre from the previous year. Producers expect to harvest 275,000 acres, down 70,000 acres from the August forecast and down 130,000 acres from 2020. **U.S.** cotton production was forecast at 17.1 million bales, down 6% from the August forecast and down 14% from 2019. Yields are forecast to average 910 pounds per acre, down 28 pounds from last month and up 87 pounds from last year. Harvested acreage is estimated at 9.01 million acres, down 3% from the August forecast and down 22% from the previous year.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is forecast at 4.35 million pounds, down 34% from the August forecast but down 32% from 2019. Yield was projected at 1,450 pounds per acre, up 50 pounds from last month and down 150 pounds from the 2019 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 3,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year's crop. For the **burley producing states** production is forecast at 71.8 million pounds, down 7% from the August forecast and down 23% from last year. Burley growers plan to harvest 41,800 acres, down 14% from 2019. Yields were expected to average 1,717 pounds per acre, down 193 pounds from last year.

Production of **Tennessee dark fire-cured** tobacco is forecast at 16.8 million pounds, up 8% from the August forecast and down 5% from the previous year. **Dark air-cured** tobacco production is forecast at 9.25 million pounds, up 4% from the August forecast and up 43% from last year.

**CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY, September 1
TENNESSEE AND UNITED STATES**

Crops	Area Planted ¹		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production	
	2019	2020	2019	2020 ²	2019	2020 ¹		2019	2020
						Aug 1	Sep 1 ²		
	TENNESSEE								
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>
Corn ³	970	950	910	900	177.0	178.0	174.0	161,070	156,600
Soybeans ³	1,400	1,600	1,370	1,570	47.0	49.0	50.0	64,390	78,500
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	280	310	215	230	67.0	61.0	--	14,405	14,030
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Cotton ⁵	410	280	405	275	1,138	1,078	1,135	960	650
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	13,300	12,400	2,292	2,307	2,453	30,490	30,415
Burley	--	--	4,000	3,000	1,600	1,400	1,450	6,400	4,350
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	6,300	5,700	2,800	2,950	2,950	17,640	16,815
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	3,000	3,700	2,150	2,550	2,500	6,450	9,250
	UNITED STATES								
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>
Corn ³	89,700	92,006	81,322	83,473	167.4	181.8	178.5	13,617,261	14,899,557
Soybeans ³	76,100	83,825	74,951	83,020	47.4	53.3	51.9	3,552,241	4,312,819
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	31,159	30,550	24,327	23,439	53.6	51.1	--	1,304,003	1,198,362
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Cotton ⁵	13,736	12,116	11,613	9,005	823	938	910	19,913	17,064
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
All	--	--	227,120	195,750	2,060	1,892	1,880	467,956	368,065
Burley	--	--	48,600	41,800	1,910	1,779	1,717	92,830	71,765
Dark Fire-Cured	--	--	16,120	13,950	2,839	2,960	1,772	45,766	40,490
Dark Air-Cured	--	--	9,900	10,100	2,464	2,485	2,373	24,390	23,970

¹ Commodities with estimates not available are *(denoted by "--")*. ² Forecasted. ³ Area harvested represents grain. ⁴ Includes area planted in preceding fall. ⁵ Production in 480-lb. net weight bales. U.S. production includes American-Pima cotton.